

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant: Michael J. Rutter
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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.114

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated 03/17/2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. Included with this Amendment is the fee of \$395.00 for a Request for Continued Examination, as set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). No additional fees are believed to be due.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.